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In re Application of : Paul O. Sheppard

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Examiner : Jamroz, Margaret E.

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For : SERINE PROTEASE POLYPEPTIDES AND MATERIALS AND  
METHODS FOR MAKING THEM

Date Submitted : May 15, 2002

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. 1.136(a))**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2001 be extended for a period of two months from March 18, 2002 to May 18, 2002.

Applicants claim small entity status. Please charge the total fee, estimated to be \$200.00, to ZymoGenetics, Inc., Deposit Account No. 26-0290. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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